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The News Organ of the Capital City Squares
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Membership Fee Due Now

An annual membership fee is something new for Capital City Squares. We have gotten along in the past with just a $10 a month dues to finance all the things needed to run a modern square dance club. But that was during the good old days when we could dance every Tuesday night (and some Wednesdays) for free. Times have changed. The schools and other public entities now have to charge for the rental of their facilities. Until our tax exempt and incorporated status comes through, we are paying $136 each Tuesday night to dance.. Even after incorporation, we will be paying $56 each Tuesday to dance.

Other gay square dance clubs around the country have for years charged an annual membership fee, in addition to Class and Dancing fees. The economy of the rest of the country has finally hit dear old Sacramento, and we too are having to charge a $30 a year membership fee in addition to our monthly $10 dues. Even so, we are still charging our members less to take classes and dance than other clubs in the Bay Area and around the country.

Your money is not being wasted. The $10 a month fee pays (barely) for the rental of the school for dancing on Class nights and the maintenance of equipment and teaching materials (records, tapes, etc.) used to perform our main function, which is to teach and provide a setting for square dancing. The $30 a year membership fee pays for all those things tangible and intangible that make up one's membership in an organization. Your membership fee entitles you to receive all the Club mailings (newsletters, flyers, directories, etc.), to vote on issues before the Club, to elect and become a part of the membership of the Board of Directors, and to enjoy the fellowship of other club members. The membership fee also pays for badges for new members and decorations, refreshments, and coffee for special events, provides insurance for dancers, and helps defray costs not covered by the $10 a month dues.

All people who dance with either Capital City Squares or Prime 8's or both should pay this $30 membership fee.. The $10 monthly fee should be paid to Capital City Squares or Prime 8's, depending on which club you dance with. (Some of us dance with both Clubs and pay $20 a month). There will no longer be a separate Newsletter annual fee for those who just wish to receive the newsletter. If you wish to receive the newsletter, you will have to pay the $30 membership fee.

Please, fill out the enclosed membership application and submit it with your $30 as soon as possible. Those who have not paid by March 1 will be considered delinquent and dropped from active participation in the Club.. Of course, if there is a financial problem, please see George or another Board member. We can always work something out.

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The CEO Speaks!

<Body text>[It may be the start of a New Year, but, alas, it ain't a new ceo… next time?] [And he still wishes he looked like the silhouette above … neever, neever!]

New Year! New Crisis! Really, I guess it's the classic "the more things change, the more they stay the same." At the same time, I gotta tell ya it's really exciting to see nearly everyone back after our month long hiatus! We sure had a goodly number this last Tuesday—and dance! Robin was pleasantly surprised at the dancing abilities of everyone—hardly a case of brain death anywhere.

So, what's the crisis? Money o'course. It seems that our debits are beginning to outdistance our credits! While it's not quite the major major problem I'd thought (now it's only a minor major difficulty, but on the edge of being promoted to full double major), we still have some seriously lean times ahead. For those not aware, the Club has not yet received its tax exempt status—this tends to deplete the treasury very quickly. At present rate of consumption, rent for the facility will outstrip income before too long (while this is serious, it looked worse a few days ago…). We're working on this—any ideas will be much appreciated!

Well, now that I've discussed that bad news in suitably vague terms (hey, after all these years working for a bureaucracy, it's second nature), here's a touch more: it seems that for various and sundry reasons (all of 'em legit, dammit!) Kenric Brown has resigned from the Board of Directors (well, he didn't say he was ticked …). Kenric, I'm sorry to lose your input as a Board member—and all that work. You've been a rock. Do feel free to attend Board meetings (yes, I'm begging) and to share your ideas. And thanks for continuing as "junior historian" (or whatever suitably embellished title we gave you…). I'll miss you on the Board, but I'm glad to hear you'll be running around during Club night, your usual hysterical, uh, historical, self. Thanks, Kenric. To state the obvious, this leaves an open position on the Board. General elections are in April, but we do have to fill this position very soon. Think about this opportunity to help the Club.

Guess what: All is not gloom and doom! There are some exciting things going on right now. As mentioned earlier and pointed out by Robin, the new class members (well, a few haven't quite made it back from vacation yet) seem to have retained all those tricky steps they learned. The dancing was quite good, good enough that Robin was able to sneak in a few new calls on that "review night." Congratulations. Indeed, though Kris was out sick and the Plus class had only review tapes (with Robin valiantly and successfully filling in with no advance notice), it was good dancin' for those Plus people, too. I'm really happy!

Guerneville: Because of the Woods burning down last summer, things have been up in the air. However, a late bulletin from Tom is that we definitely do have things moving again! While flyers and such are not available yet, they should be soon—two to three weeks, max. We are gonna have fun once again. Thanks, Tom, for persevering on this!

Other touchings (or wuzzat touchy–feelies?); Thanks, von Trash Family (and especially Greg "Stud Muffin" Princess (I think)) for that lovely evening in December. Truly, a perfect setting, tho' a color–wheel on the "all natural" aluminum tree would've made it absolutely flawless! Thank you—it was the start of this extra 10 pounds! (thanks ahelluvalot!)… I heard ECR's Anniversary Dance was not to be missed (so, of course, I missed it!). Anyway, thanks, El Camino, in behalf of all who had a faboo time! Upcoming: well, see Bill's calendar (did anyone else notice how Bill had this succinct wonderful calendar long before it was gay s.d. trendy?!). Please, don't forget about WSD's Anniversary Fly–In! Time draws nigh for the cheap rate! Do not forget that we are again dancing every Tuesday at Theodore Judah School (and the only thing Bill's and Michael's return from Hawaii contributed to that was two tanned persons at dance night and a bunch of pictures flaunted at the Board meeting… but I love those guys anyway).

I feel good! It's either the New Year, the fact that the Club ain't bankrupt (yet), or the two rum–cokes I just had! (Vodka tonic is still preferred, but Rick didn't offer that! (sniff).)

See ya dancin'

❖ *George*

January Board Minutes

January 8, 1992

Attending the meeting at Bill & Michael's were Bill, Michael, George, Rick C., Rick A., Kris, Cindy, David, Becca, and Mark.

Finances were the first topic discussed. Rick A. reported that the Club has $1782.00 in the treasury. George announced that we received a bill from the school for $2563.00. After some quick tabulations from Cindy and Rick A., it was discovered that there is a possible $700 discrepancy in the bill. David said that he would go to the school contract office on Thursday, January 9, to have the bill corrected.

Tax exempt status has not been approved by the Franchise Tax Board yet, reports David. He is willing to write a letter to the school's contract office explaining our situation. Franchise Tax Board says that we should hear from them in four weeks. By the Club incorporating, we should save $80 per dance night. We currently are being charged $136 per night.

A suggestion was made by Bill that we look into locating a less expensive place to dance. He says that Western Star Dancers work thru San Francisco Parks and Recreation Department. George will check with Parks and Recreation to see if there are any inexpensive openings. Michael will find out what other groups in our area have had to to do continue to hold their meetings. MCC was mentioned by Becca, but it is not available on Tuesday nights. David will check into the Sierra 2 Center in Curtis Park since it is right down the street from his house. George's "bottom line" is all suggestions will be considered if they are less expensive.

Aside from finances ... Kris will be gone from classes for the month of February because of her participation in Pro Bowlers Tournaments out of town. Good luck, Kris! She figures that the Plus class will have learned their calls after five more nights. Basic is 48 calls, and the beginning dancers are almost there. Robin expects to be finished by April 1st.

Cindy will be sending post cards or making phone calls to the dancers who didn't show up after Christmas vacation.

George reports that Tom Sachs is still researching for our April Guerneville retreat. The Woods still has no liquor licence. The management firm for both Fife's and The Woods may wrap up both businesses if The Woods is refused its licence. Tom may have more news by Monday, January 13th. George will ask Tom to write a blurb for the next newsletter to update us on what exactly is happening.

A new membership form is being prepared by Bill that will include a disclaimer stating that members will not sue the Club.

Upcoming dances: February 5th—WSD, St Paulus Church, San Francisco. February 22nd—CCS Combined Workshops and Hoedown, Theodore Judah School, Sacramento.

It's time to start making plans for Convention in Albuquerque, July 3–5!

We received sad news via David that Kenric has become so swamped with commitments that he must

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Due by the 15th of the month
Membership Fee: $30 a year
Due in January

Capital City Squares Board of Directors

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Position Open
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Kris Corbridge, Plus Class Instructor
Bill McCrory, Prime 8's Rep
Becca King & Rick Corell, CCS New Class Reps
Fred Smith, Prime 8's New Class Rep

Joy TeSelle & Margaret Coelho, Club History
Kenric Brown, History Liaison

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resign from the Board. We will all miss you at the meetings, Kenric. Thanks for all the hard work and input! xoxox!

The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, January 29th, at 7PM at Heidi's house, where Bill and Michael live.

See you there!

❖ *Mark*

Board Position Open

Because of the resignation of Kenric Brown from the Board of Directors, the Club will be holding an election soon to fill out the six months left of Kenric's term of office.. This will be a good opportunity for someone to see what Board membership is like without committing himself or herself to the normal two-year term. Board membership is a lot of work, but it has its own kind of rewards, mainly the knowledge that one has actively involved himself or herself in the day to day running of the Club and has been a part of the Club's success in promoting gay square dancing.

If you are at all interested about running for the rest of Kenric's term of office, talk it over with anyone listed on the masthead of this newsletter. Any of them will be glad to help you in making a decision to run. The Board, and the Club, needs your fresh ideas for solutions to problems that are new to Capital City Squares. Now is the time for all good men (and women) to come to the aid of their Club!

Thank You, Kenric!

As reported elsewhere, the Board has unhappily accepted Kenric Brown's resignation from the Board of Directors. Kenric first served on the Board two and one half years ago as the new class representative. Never has a new class been so well represented! Kenric made sure that all new class gripes, suggestions, and questions were aired at the Board meetings. As a result his year's beginning class has been the most unified and energetic one yet. Most of that year's class has gone on to Plus and even Advanced square dancing. Kenric was then elected to his own term as a full Board member. If anything needed to be done—a booth set up at the Freedom Fair, a school multipurpose room decorated for a hoedown, coordination of travel arrangements for people going to the Convention—Kenric would always jump in and do it. He has been one of the most actively "can-do" Board members ever.

The Boardwill miss his active involvement in the affairs of the Club. We can only hope that he will be able to take a little time from his busy schedule to offer more suggestions and ideas for the benefit of the club he has served so well. Best of luck, Kenric, and thanks for everything!

Local Contacts:

CCS Capital City Squares
George (916) 447-2271 **Bill (916) 969-5153**

Prime 8's
Art (916) 966-1734 **Del (916) 446–4396**

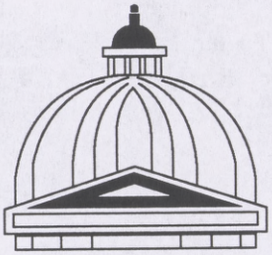
WSD Western Star Dancers
Max (415) 431-6238 **Anna (415) 621-0862**

FCD Foggy City Dancers
Ken (415) 821-0417 **Mike (415) 695-1376**

MS Midnight Squares
Roger (415) 664-0513 **Claire (415) 861-1979**

ECR El Camino Reelers
Randy (415) 961-7504

***PACE**
James (916) 925-4242 **Nancy (415) 479-7076**



January Birthdays

4	Cindy Sullivan
5	Steven Starr
8	Kenric Brown
28	Janet Pierson

Coming Events

* signifies an ostensibly "straight" event

1992

January

5 Bill and Michael return from Hawaii—Square dancing may resume.

11 WSD Dance (Paul Waters, Class level, MS, Plus), St. Paulus Church, San Francisco, CA.

12 Advanced Dance (Mike Jacobs), Midnight Squares, Live Oak School, San Francisco, CA.

17-19 "Swing Thru Arizona/Double," Rodeo & Fly-In, Desert Valley Squares, Phoenix, AZ.

17–19 *15th Annual January Jubilee (Anne Uebelacker, Mike Jacobs, Lee Kopman, Ron Libby, Dave Hodson, etc.), Hyatt Cherry Hill, Cherry Hill, NJ.

25 Advanced Dancing Evening (George Monaghan), Prime 8's, Sacramento, CA.

February

5 WSD Wednesday Special, (Ron Libbey, MS, Plus), St. Paulus Church, San Francisco, CA.

4–16 "Star Thru L.A." (Anne Uebelacker, Bill Eyler), 5th Anniversary Fly–In, Tinseltown Squares, Hollywood, CA.

14-16 "Soak Up Seattle" (Mike DeSisto & Johnny Preston), Puddletown Squares, Seattle, WA.

21–23 "Scoot Back to Florida" (Bill Eyler & Chris Phillips), South Florida Mustangs, Hollywood, FL.

22 "A Fantasy in February" (Joe Kula), CCS, Sacramento, CA.

March

13–15 10th Anniversary Celebration & Fly–In (Paul Marcum & Mike DeSisto), Western Star Dancers, San Francisco, CA.

27-29 L.A. Gay Rodeo.

27–29 "Pass Thru the Alamo" (Rusty Fennel, Bill Eyler), Alamo City Wranglers, San Antonio, TX.

April

3–5 *PACE Spectacular.

3–5 California State Rodeo, San Diego, CA.

10–11 *"Spring Jamboree" (Jerry Story & Terry Mosier), San Joaquin Valley Square Dancing Association, Lodi, CA.

24–26 CCS Retreat at Fife's (Nate Bliss), Guerneville, CA.

24–26 Seguaro Regional Rodeo, Phoenix, AZ.

May

8–10 "Pass the Ocean Hon" Chesapeake Squares Fly–In (Anne Uebelacker, Glenn Matthew, & Dale Hodge) Rehoboth Beach, DE (if it's still there!).

9 WSD Dance (Eric Henerlau),San Francisco, CA.

15–17 Pikes Peak Unit Rodeo, Colorado Springs, CO.

22–24 Great Plains Regional Rodeo, Oklahoma City, OK.

29–31 Fly–In, Triangle Squares, Toronto, Ontario.

30 CCS Graduation Workshops and Hoedown (Jet Roberts), Sacramento, CA.

June

18–20 *26th National Advanced & Challenge Convention, Virginia Beach, VA.

25-27 *41st National Square Dance Convention, Cincinnati, OH.

28 Gay Pride Day, San Francisco, CA.

July

3–5 "Diamonds in the Desert," 9th IAGSDC Convention, Albuquerque, NM.

3–5 Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo, Denver, CO.

24–26 San Francisco Gay Rodeo, San Francisco, CA.

August

6–9 8th Annual IGRA Convention, Minneapolis–St. Paul, MN.

13–15 *11th American Advanced & Challenge Convention, Dayton, OH.

September

4–6 Chicago Crossfire, Chi–Town Squares, Chicago, IL.

4–6 Zia Regional Rodeo, Albuquerque, NM.

24 Bradley Family National Holiday (A day which will live in infamy!).

October

2–4 Wichita Gay Rodeo, Wichita, KS.

23–25 WSD Camp Caz Retreat, Way up above the Russian River, CA.

24–26 IGRA Finals Rodeo, Phoenix, AZ.

24 "Perk Up in Vancouver"(Anne Uebelac ker, Saundra Bryant), 3rd IAGSDC Advanced & Challenge Fly–in, Vancouver, BC.

30–N 1 New York Fly–In (Sandy Bryant & Todd Fellegy), Times Squares, New York City, NY.

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December 24, 1991

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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff and residents of the Children's Receiving Home of Sacramento I wish to extend our sincere appreciation to you for your contribution of $200.00.

As the private non-profit agency responsible for providing shelter care to abused and neglected children we could not provide the safe and caring environment without your assistance. We are truly grateful for your continuing support of our program. You help make life a little better for these needy children not only during the holidays.

Thank you very much for caring about our children! Happy Holidays to you!

Sincerely,

MaryAnne Wood

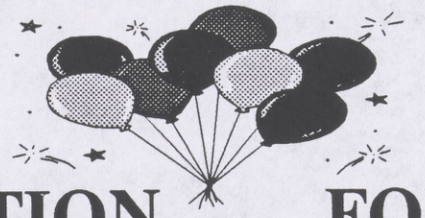
MaryAnne Wood
Executive Director

MAW/kb

SQUARE TENTH THRU TO THE

10th Anniversary Celebration Fly-In

Western Star Dancers 10th Anniversary
Celebration Fly-In • March 13-14-15, 1992



REGISTRATION FORM

Mainstream ** Plus ** Two-Step'n

Saturday Buffet Banquet • Sunday Buffet Brunch
Tours of San Francisco Sites

Featured Callers

Mike DeSisto **Paul Marcum**

For More Information • Anna (415) 621-0862 • Max (415) 431-6238 • Tom (415) 626-2886

Name _____

Address _____

City, State - Province _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____

Club Affiliation _____

Vegetarian Meal ? Yes No

I'm interested in more info about Hotel/Motel accommodations Yes No

Arrival Date & Time _____

Registration:
$60 thru Jan. 20, 1992
$80 afterwards

Make checks payable to: Western Star Dancers
Attn: Fly-In
584 Castro St., Suite 480
San Francisco, Ca. 94114

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SQUARE TENTH THRU TO THE 10th Anniversary Celebration Fly-In

HOUSING REQUEST

Name _____

Address _____

City, State _____ Zip _____

Home Ph # ( ) _____ Msg Machine ? _____

Traveling with: _____ Are you a couple ? Y N

Please check all dates you are requesting for housing with club members:

	Wed 3/11	Thu 3/12	Fri 3/13	Sat 3/14	Sun 3/15	Mon 3/16	Tue 3/17	

Arrival Date/Time _____ Departure Date/Time _____

Will you have access to a car during your visit ? _____

Allergic To/Prefer No	Cats	Dogs	Men	Alcohol	Women	Tobacco	Other
Please check all that apply							

I would like	Bed to Share	Bed	Private Room	Couch/ Sofa	Floor with sleeping bag	Floor with own sleeping bag	Other
Please check all that apply							

Office Use

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Invites You to

"A Fantasy in February"

Saturday, February 22, 1992

Guest Caller: Joe Kula

Pre-Hoedown Workshop Dance (alternating tips of class and full level Mainstream and Plus workshops): 1:00 to 4:30

Hoedown: 7:00 to 9:30

Pre-Hoedown Workshop Dance: $6.00
Hoedown: $6.00
Full Day Ticket: $10.00

Theodore Judah Elementary School
3919 McKinley Blvd.
Sacramento

From the Bay Area: Take Highway 80 to Business 80; then go north on Business 80 to the H Steet off ramp. Take 30th Street to E Steet. Turn right on E Street (McKinley Blvd.) to the school just past 39th Steet.

Prime 8's

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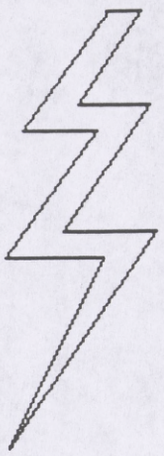
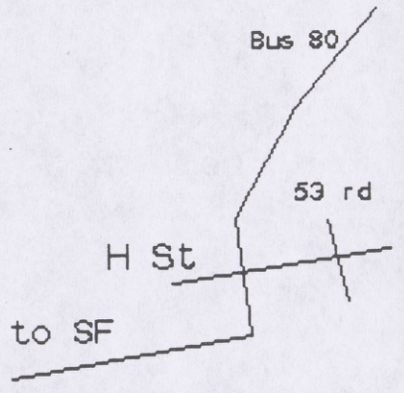


George Monaghan

Advanced Dancing Evening

2:30 .. 4:30	A1 Class Workshop	$5.00
7:00 .. 9:30	A1 Class Level/A2 full level	$6.00
9:30 .. 10:00	C1 Star Tip	



Saturday, Jan 25, 1992
Central United Methodist Church
53rd & H Streets
Sacramento, California
(916) 645-9306 or (916) 739-4040
(Dennis Moore) for more info

January 1992

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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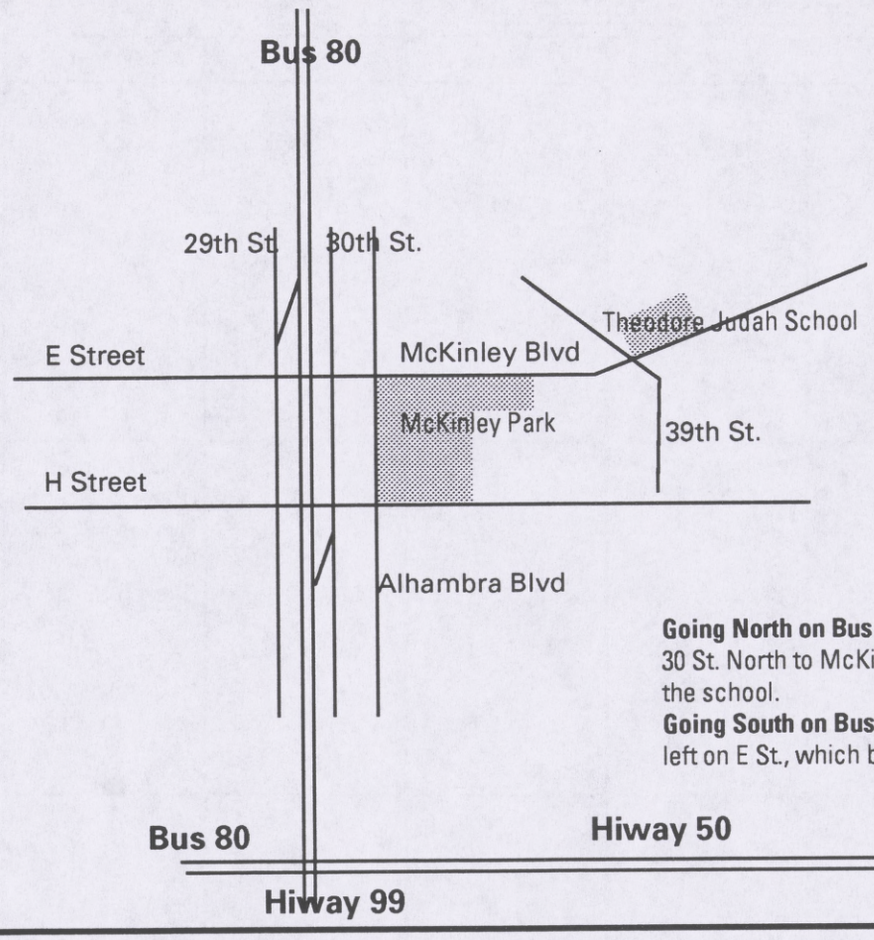

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Tuesdays
Mainstream Class 6:30 to 8:00
Plus Class 8:00 to 9:30

Theodore Judah School
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Sacramento, CA

Going North on Bus 80: Take the H St. off ramp and take 30 St. North to McKinley Blvd. Turn right on McKinley to the school.
Going South on Bus 80: Take the E St. off ramp and turn left on E St., which becomes McKinley Blvd, to the school.

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